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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIMA 1015

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PE

SUBJECT: SITREP NO. 18

1. EMBOFFS RETURNED AT 3 P.M. FROM 90-MINUTE WALK THROUGH DOWNTOWN LIMA, WHICH IS FAIRLY QUIET AND UNDER ARMY SURVEILLANCE. AS YET, FEW GUARDIA CIVIL ARE IN EVIDENCE WHILE ARMY IS PARTOLLING STREETS IN SCOUT CARS AND LIGHT TANKS. SOLDIERS FIRE OCCASIONALLY IN AIR TO BREAK UP KNOTS OF PEOPLE. THIS MORNING SOME SACKING TOOK PLACE AND APPARENTLY MINOR FIRES. RADIO IS ANNOUNCING THAT VANDALS WILL BE SHOT.

2. LIMA HOTELS INCLUDING SHERATON (ALL OF ITS FIRST-FLOOR FRONT WINDOWS ARE SMASHED), CRILLON AND BOLIVAR SEEM TO BE FUNCTIONING SATISFACTORILY.

3. ATTITUDE OF PROPULACE IS CLEARLY ANTI-VELASCO. WHILE THIS WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING IF IT REFLECTED UPPER CLASSES, CONFIDENTIAL

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COMMENTS MADE TO EMBOFFS IN PAST TWO DAY BY VERY MODEST

PEOPLE REVEAL NO APPARENT LOWER CLASS SUPPORT FOR REGIME.  
PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT THE ARMY HAS MURDERED "HUNDREDS" OF  
PERUVIANS.

4. WHILE SLOW IN MOVING INTO DOWNTOWN AREA YESTERDAY, ARMED FORCES  
HAVE SHOWN THEMSELVES DISCIPLINED AND PRESUMABLY LOYAL TO  
VELASCO IN HANDLING OF CIVIL STRIFE. DOWNTOWN STREETS AND  
BUILDINGS SHOW FEW SIGNS THAT MILITARY HAVE FIRED IN-  
DISCRIMINATELY AT PEOPLE. THIS IS NOT TO SAY THAT THERE  
MAY NOT HAVE BEEN MANY DEATHS AND INJURIES BUT THE CASUALTIES  
ARE PROBABLY SOMEWHAT LESS THAN YESTERDAY'S TUMULT WOULD SUGGEST.

5. RADIO HAS JUST ANNOUNCED THAT CURFEW WILL BE FROM 8 P.M.  
TO 5 A.M. AS INDICATED IN EARLIER SITREP.

6. LIMA SUBURBS WHERE MOST AMERICANS LIVE HAVE BEEN QUIET  
ALL DAY.

7. IT IS PERHAPS SIGNIFICANT TO NOTE THAT USIS CULTURAL  
CENTER WHICH IS IN HEART OF TROUBLED DOWNTOWN AREA SUFFERED  
NO DAMAGE. MOBS TURNED THEIR ATTENTION TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS  
AND STORES.

8. AT 4 P.M. DAO CONFIRMED FROM SEPARATE RELIABLE SOURCES  
THAT LTGEN (GC) GASTON ZAPATA DE LA FLOR HAS BEEN NAMED AS  
NEW DIRECTOR OF THE GUARDIA CIVIL. ONE OF THE SOURCES  
CLAIMS THAT POLICE STATIONS WILL SOON BEGIN NORMAL OPERATIONS  
AS PERSONNEL ARE CALLED BACK TO DUTY.  
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